# EXTENSION OF EUCLIDEAN OPERATOR RADIUS INEQUALITIES

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ABSTRACT. To extend the Euclidean operator radius, we define  $w_p$  for an n-tuples of operators  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n)$  in  $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$  by  $w_p(T_1, \ldots, T_n) := \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle T_i x, x \rangle|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$  for  $p \geq 1$ . We generalize some inequalities including Euclidean operator radius of two operators to those involving  $w_p$ . Further we obtain some lower and upper bounds for  $w_p$ . Our main result states that if f and g are nonnegative continuous functions on  $[0, \infty)$  satisfying f(t) g(t) = t for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , then

$$w_p^{rp}\left(A_1^*T_1B_1, \dots, A_n^*T_nB_n\right) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \left[ B_i^*f^2\left( |T_i| \right) B_i \right]^{rp} + \left[ A_i^*g^2\left( |T_i^*| \right) A_i \right]^{rp} \right) \right\|$$

for all  $p \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq 1$  and operators in  $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

#### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space  $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . The numerical radius of  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is defined by

$$w(A) = \sup\{|\langle Ax, x \rangle| : x \in \mathcal{H}, ||x|| = 1\}.$$

It is well known that  $w(\cdot)$  defines a norm on  $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , which is equivalent to the usual operator norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Namely, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}||A|| \le w(A) \le ||A||.$$

for each  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . It is known that if  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is self-adjoint, then w(A) = ||A||. An important inequality for w(A) is the power inequality stating that  $w(A^n) \leq w^n(A)$  for  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  There are many inequalities involving numerical radius; see [2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12] and references therein.

The Euclidean operator radius of an *n*-tuple  $(T_1,\ldots,T_n)\in\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}:=\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})\times$ 

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 $\ldots \times \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$  was defined in [9] by

$$w_e(T_1, \dots, T_n) := \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle T_i x, x \rangle|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The particular cases n = 1 and n = 2 are numerical radius and Euclidean operator radius. Some interesting properties of this radius were obtained in [9]. For example, it is established that

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n} T_i T_i^* \right\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \le w_e(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n} T_i T_i^* \right\|^{\frac{1}{2}}. \tag{1.1}$$

We also observe that if A = B + iC is the Cartesian decomposition of A, then

$$w_e^2(B,C) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \{ |\langle Bx, x \rangle|^2 + |\langle Cx, x \rangle|^2 \} = \sup_{\|x\|=1} |\langle Ax, x \rangle|^2 = w^2(A).$$

By the above inequality and  $A^*A + AA^* = 2(B^2 + C^2)$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{16}||A^*A + AA^*|| \le w^2(A) \le \frac{1}{2}||A^*A + AA^*||.$$

We define  $w_p$  for *n*-tuples of operators  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$  for  $p \geq 1$  by

$$w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) := \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle T_i x, x \rangle|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

It follows from Minkowski's inequality for two vectors  $a = (a_1, a_2)$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2)$ , namely,

$$(|a_1 + b_1|^p + |a_2 + b_2|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le (|a_1|^p + |a_2|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} + (|b_1|^p + |b_2|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
 for  $p > 1$ 

that  $w_p$  is a norm.

Moreover  $w_p, p \ge 1$ , for *n*-tuple of operators  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$  satisfies the following properties:

- (i)  $w_p(T_1, ..., T_n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow T_1 = ... = T_n = 0.$
- (ii)  $w_p(\lambda T_1, \ldots, \lambda T_n) = |\lambda| w_p(T_1, \ldots, T_n)$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- (iii)  $w_p(T_1 + T_1', \dots, T_n + T_n') \le w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) + w_p(T_1', \dots, T_n')$  for  $(T_1', \dots, T_n') \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ .

(iv) 
$$w_p(X^*T_1X, ..., X^*T_nX) \le ||X||^2 w_p(T_1, ..., T_n)$$
 for  $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

Dragomir [1] obtained some inequalities for the Euclidean operator radius  $w_e(B,C) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} (|\langle Bx,x\rangle|^2 + |\langle Cx,x\rangle|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  of two bounded linear operators in a Hilbert space. In section 2 of this paper we extend some his results including inequalities for the Euclidean operator radius of linear operators to  $w_p$   $(p \ge 1)$ . In addition, we apply some known inequalities for getting new inequalities for  $w_p$  in two operators.

In section 3 we prove inequalities for  $w_p$  for n-tuples of operators. Some of our result in this section, generalize some inequalities in section 2. Further, we find some lower and upper bounds for  $w_p$ .

## 2. Inequalities for $w_p$ for two operators

To prove our generalized numerical radius inequalities, we need several known lemmas. The first lemma is a simple result of the classical Jensen inequality and a generalized mixed Cauchy–Schwarz inequality [7, 8, 6].

**Lemma 2.1.** For a, b > 0,  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $r \neq 0$ ,

- (a)  $a^{\alpha}b^{1-\alpha} \le \alpha a + (1-\alpha)b \le [\alpha a^r + (1-\alpha)b^r]^{\frac{1}{r}}$  for  $r \ge 1$ ,
- (b) If  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then  $|\langle Ax, y \rangle|^2 \leq \langle |A|^{2\alpha}x, x \rangle \langle |A^*|^{2(1-\alpha)}y, y \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ , where  $|A| = (A^*A)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .
- (c) Let  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , and f and g be nonnegative continuous functions on  $[0, \infty)$  satisfying f(t) g(t) = t for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . Then

$$|\langle Ax, y \rangle| \le ||f(|A|)x|| ||g(|A^*|)y||$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (McCarthy inequality [5]). Let  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $A \geq 0$  and let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be any unit vector. Then

- (a)  $\langle Ax, x \rangle^r \le \langle A^r x, x \rangle$  for  $r \ge 1$ ,
- (b)  $\langle A^r x, x \rangle \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^r$  for  $0 < r \le 1$ .

Inequalities of the following lemma were obtained for the first time by Clarkson[7].

**Lemma 2.3.** Let X be a normed space and  $x, y \in X$ . Then for all  $p \geq 2$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ,

- (a)  $2(||x||^p + ||y||^p)^{q-1} \le ||x+y||^q + ||x-y||^q$ ,
- (b)  $2(||x||^p + ||y||^p) \le ||x + y||^p + ||x y||^p \le 2^{p-1}(||x||^p + ||y||^p),$
- (c)  $||x+y||^p + ||x-y||^p \le 2(||x||^q + ||y||^q)^{p-1}$ .

If 1 the converse inequalities hold.

Making the transformations  $x \to \frac{x+y}{2}$  and  $y \to \frac{x-y}{2}$  we observe that inequalities (a) and (c) in Lemma 2.3 are equivalent and so are the first and the second inequalities of (b). First of all we obtain a relation between  $w_p$  and  $w_e$  for  $p \ge 1$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then

$$w_p(B,C) \le w_q(B,C) \le 2^{\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}} w_p(B,C)$$

for  $p \ge q \ge 1$ . In particular

$$w_p(B,C) \le w_e(B,C) \le 2^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}} w_p(B,C)$$
 (2.1)

for  $p \geq 2$ , and

$$2^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}} w_p(B, C) \le w_e(B, C) \le w_p(B, C)$$

for  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ .

*Proof.* An application of Jensen's inequality says that for a, b > 0 and  $p \ge q > 0$ , we have

$$(a^p + b^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le (a^q + b^q)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector. Choosing  $a = |\langle Bx, x \rangle|$  and  $b = |\langle Cx, x \rangle|$ , we have

$$\left(\left|\langle Bx, x\rangle\right|^p + \left|\langle Cx, x\rangle\right|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \left(\left|\langle Bx, x\rangle\right|^q + \left|\langle Cx, x\rangle\right|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Now the first inequality follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathscr{H}$ . A simple consequence of the classical Jensen's inequality concerning the convexity or the concavity of certain power functions says that for  $a, b \geq 0, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $p \geq q$ , we have

$$(\alpha a^q + (1 - \alpha) b^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \le (\alpha a^p + (1 - \alpha) b^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

For  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ , we get

$$(a^q + b^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \le 2^{\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}} (a^p + b^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Again let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector. Choosing  $a = |\langle Bx, x \rangle|$  and  $b = |\langle Cx, x \rangle|$  we get

$$\left(\left|\langle Bx, x\rangle\right|^{q} + \left|\langle Cx, x\rangle\right|^{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq 2^{\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}} \left(\left|\langle Bx, x\rangle\right|^{p} + \left|\langle Cx, x\rangle\right|^{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Now the second inequality follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

On making use of inequality (2.1) we find a lower bound for  $w_p$   $(p \ge 2)$ .

Corollary 2.5. If  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then for  $p \geq 2$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \|B^*B + C^*C\|^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

*Proof.* According to inequalities (1.1) and (2.1) we can write

$$w_e(B,C) \ge \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \|B^*B + C^*C\|^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}} w_e(B,C),$$

respectively. We therefore get desired inequality.

The next result is concerned with some lower bounds for  $w_p$ . This consequence has several inequalities as special cases. Our result will be generalized to n-tuples of operators in the next section.

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then for  $p \geq 1$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \max(w(B+C), w(B-C)).$$
 (2.2)

This inequality is sharp.

*Proof.* We use convexity of function  $f(t) = t^p \ (p \ge 1)$  as follows:

$$(|\langle Bx, x \rangle|^p + |\langle Cx, x \rangle|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p} - 1} (|\langle Bx, x \rangle| + |\langle Cx, x \rangle|)$$
$$\ge 2^{\frac{1}{p} - 1} |\langle Bx, x \rangle \pm \langle Cx, x \rangle|$$
$$= 2^{\frac{1}{p} - 1} |\langle (B \pm C)x, x \rangle|.$$

Taking supremum over  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  with ||x|| = 1 yields that

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} w(B \pm C).$$

For sharpness one can obtain the same quantity  $2^{\frac{1}{p}}w(B)$  on both sides of the inequality by putting B=C.

Corollary 2.7. If A = B + iC is the Cartesian decomposition of A, then for all  $p \ge 2$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \max(\|B+C\|, \|B-C\|),$$

and

$$w(A) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \max \left( \|(1-i)A + (1+i)A^*\|, \|(1+i)A + (1-i)A^*\| \right)$$

*Proof.* Obviously by inequality (2.2) we have the first inequality. For the second we use inequality (2.1).

Corollary 2.8. If  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then for  $p \geq 1$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \max\{w(B), w(C)\}.$$
 (2.3)

In addition, if A = B + iC is the Cartesian decomposition of A, then for p > 2

$$w(A) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \max(\|A + A^*\|, \|A - A^*\|).$$

*Proof.* By inequality (2.2) and properties of the numerical radius, we have

$$2w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}(w(B+C)+w(B-C)) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}w(B+C+B-C)$$
.

So

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}w(B)$$
.

By symmetry we conclude that

$$w_p(B, C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \max(w(B), w(C)).$$

While the second inequality follows easily from inequality (2.1).

Now we apply part (b) of Lemma 2.3 to find some lower and upper bounds for  $w_p$  (p > 1).

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then for all  $p \geq 2$ ,

(i) 
$$2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}w_p(B+C,B-C) \leq w_p(B,C) \leq 2^{-\frac{1}{p}}w_p(B+C,B-C);$$
  
(ii)  $2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}\left(w^p(B+C)+w^p(B-C)\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq w_p(B,C) \leq 2^{-\frac{1}{p}}\left(w^p(B+C)+w^p(B-C)\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$   
If  $1 these inequalities hold in the opposite direction.$ 

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector. Part (b) of Lemma 2.3 implies that for any  $p \geq 2$ 

$$2^{1-p}(|a+b|^p+|a-b|^p) \le |a|^p+|b|^p \le \frac{1}{2}(|a+b|^p+|a-b|^p).$$

Replacing  $a = |\langle Bx, x \rangle|$  and  $b = |\langle Cx, x \rangle|$  in above inequalities we obtain the desired inequalities.

**Remark 2.10.** In inequality (2.3), if we take B+C and B-C instead of B and C, then for  $p \ge 1$ 

$$w_p(B+C, B-C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \max\{w(B+C), w(B-C)\}.$$

By employing the first inequality of part (i) of Proposition 2.9, we get

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \max\{w(B+C), w(B-C)\}$$

for  $p \ge 1$ .

Taking B + C and B - C instead of B and C in the second inequality of part (ii) of Proposition 2.9, we reach

$$w_p(B+C,B-C) \le 2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \left( w^p(B) + w^p(C) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

for all  $p \ge 1$ .

Now by applying the second inequality of part (i) of Proposition 2.9, we infer for  $p \ge 1$  that

$$w_p(B,C) \le 2^{1-\frac{2}{p}} (w^p(B) + w^p(C))^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

So

$$2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \max\{w(B+C), w(B-C)\} \le w_p(B,C) \le 2^{1-\frac{2}{p}} (w^p(B) + w^p(C))^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Moreover if B and C are self-adjoint, then

$$2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \max\{\|B+C\|, \|B-C\|\} \le w_p(B,C) \le 2^{1-\frac{2}{p}} (\|B\|^p + \|C\|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for all  $p \ge 1$ .

In the following result we find another lower bound for  $w_p$   $(p \ge 1)$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then for  $p \geq 1$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} w^{\frac{1}{2}} (B^2 + C^2).$$

*Proof.* It follows from (2.2) that

$$2^{\frac{2}{p}-2}w^2(B\pm C) \le w_p^2(B,C).$$

Hence

$$2w_p^2(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \left[ w^2(B+C) + w^2(B-C) \right]$$

$$\ge 2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \left[ w \left( (B+C)^2 \right) + w \left( (B-C)^2 \right) \right]$$

$$\ge 2^{\frac{2}{p}-2} \left[ w \left( (B+C)^2 + (B-C)^2 \right) \right] = 2^{\frac{2}{p}-1} w(B^2 + C^2).$$

It follows that

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} w^{\frac{1}{2}} (B^2 + C^2).$$

Corollary 2.12. If A = B + iC is the Cartesian decomposition of A, then

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \|B^2 + C^2\|^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

And

$$w(A) \ge 2^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{3}{2}} ||A^*A + AA^*||^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

for any  $p \geq 2$ .

*Proof.* The first inequality is obvious. For the second we have  $A^*A + AA^* = 2(B^2 + C^2)$ . Now by using inequality (2.1) the proof is complete.

Corollary 2.13. If  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then for  $p \geq 2$ 

$$w_p(B,C) \ge 2^{\frac{2}{p} - \frac{3}{2}} w^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( B^2 + C^2 \right).$$

*Proof.* By choosing B + C and B - C instead of B and C in Theorem 2.11 and employing part (i) of Proposition 2.9 we conclude that the desired inequality.

The following result providing other bound for  $w_p$  (p > 1) may be stated as follows:

**Proposition 2.14.** Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then

$$w_p(B,C) \le w_q\left(\frac{B+C}{2}, \frac{B-C}{2}\right).$$

for any  $p \ge 2, 1 < q \le 2$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . If 1 , the reverse inequality holds.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector. Part (a) of Lemma 2.3 implies that

$$|a|^p + |b|^p \le 2^{\frac{1}{1-q}} (|a+b|^q + |a-b|^q)^{\frac{1}{q-1}}.$$

So

$$(|a|^p + |b|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le 2^{\frac{1}{p(1-q)}} (|a+b|^q + |a-b|^q)^{\frac{1}{p(q-1)}}.$$

Now replacing  $a = \langle Bx, x \rangle$  and  $b = \langle Cx, x \rangle$  in the above inequality we conclude that

$$\left(\left|\left\langle Bx,x\right\rangle\right|^{p}+\left|\left\langle Cx,x\right\rangle\right|^{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}\leq\left(\left|\left\langle \left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right)x,x\right\rangle\right|^{q}+\left|\left\langle \left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)x,x\right\rangle\right|^{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.\tag{2.4}$$

By taking supremum over  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  with ||x|| = 1 we deduce that

$$w_p(B,C) \le w_q\left(\frac{B+C}{2}, \frac{B-C}{2}\right)$$

for any  $p \ge 2, 1 < q \le 2$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ .

Corollary 2.15. Inequality (2.4) implies that

$$w_p(B,C) \le \left(w^q\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) + w^q\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

for any  $1 < q \le 2, p \ge 2$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Further, if B and C are self-adjoint, then

$$w_p(B,C) \le \frac{1}{2} (\|B+C\|^q + \|B-C\|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

If 1 , the converse inequalities hold.

Corollary 2.16. If  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then

$$w_q\left(\frac{B+C}{2}, \frac{B-C}{2}\right) \le 2^{\frac{1}{p}} w_p\left(\frac{B+C}{2}, \frac{B-C}{2}\right).$$

for all  $1 with <math>\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . If  $p \ge 2$ , the above inequality is valid in the opposite direction.

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.14 we have

$$w_q\left(\frac{B+C}{2}, \frac{B-C}{2}\right) \le w_p(B, C).$$

for all  $1 with <math>\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Proposition 2.9 follows that

$$w_p(B,C) \le 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} w_p(B+C,B-C) = 2^{\frac{1}{p}} w_p\left(\frac{B+C}{2},\frac{B-C}{2}\right).$$

We therefore get the desired inequality.

### 3. Inequalities of $w_p$ for n-tuples of operators

In this section, we are going to obtain some numerical radius inequalities for n-tuples of operators. Some generalization of inequalities in the previous section are also established. According to the definition of numerical radius, we immediately get the following double inequality for  $p \geq 1$ 

$$w_p(T_1,...,T_n) \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w^p(T_i)\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{i=1}^n w(T_i).$$

An application of Holder's inequality gives the next result, which is a generalization of inequality (2.2).

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$  and  $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots n$ , with  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$ . Then

$$w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \ge w\left(\alpha_1^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_1 \pm \alpha_2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_2 \pm \dots \pm \alpha_n^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_n\right)$$

for any p > 1.

*Proof.* In the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the standard inner product, Holder's inequality

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_i y_i| \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |y_i|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

holds, where p and q are in the open interval  $(1, \infty)$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . For  $(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \left(\alpha_1^{1-\frac{1}{p}}, \dots, \alpha_n^{1-\frac{1}{p}}\right)$  we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \alpha_i^{1 - \frac{1}{p}} x_i \right| \le \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \alpha_i^{1 - \frac{1}{p}} \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Thus

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \ge \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left|\alpha_i^{1-\frac{1}{p}} x_i\right|.$$

Choosing  $x_i = |\langle T_i x, x \rangle|, i = 1, \dots n$ , we get

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle T_i x, x \rangle|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\geq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \left\langle \alpha_i^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_i x, x \right\rangle \right|$$

$$\geq \left| \left\langle \alpha_1^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_1 x, x \right\rangle \pm \left\langle \alpha_2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_2 x, x \right\rangle \pm \dots \pm \left\langle \alpha_n^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_n x, x \right\rangle \right|$$

$$= \left| \left\langle \left( \alpha_1^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_1 \pm \alpha_2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_2 \pm \dots \pm \alpha_n^{1-\frac{1}{p}} T_n \right) x, x \right\rangle \right|.$$

Now the result follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Now we give another upper bound for the powers of  $w_p$ . This result has several inequalities as special cases, which considerably generalize the second inequality of (1.1).

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n)$ ,  $(A_1, \ldots, A_n)$ ,  $(B_1, \ldots, B_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$  and let f and g be nonnegative continuous functions on  $[0, \infty)$  satisfying f(t) g(t) = t for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . Then

$$w_p^{rp}\left(A_1^*T_1B_1, \dots, A_n^*T_nB_n\right) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \left[ B_i^* f^2\left( |T_i| \right) B_i \right]^{rp} + \left[ A_i^* g^2\left( |T_i^*| \right) A_i \right]^{rp} \right) \right\|$$

for  $p \ge 1$  and  $r \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle A_{i}^{*}T_{i}B_{i}x, x \rangle|^{p}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle T_{i}B_{i}x, A_{i}x \rangle|^{p}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} ||f(|T_{i}|) B_{i}x||^{p} ||g(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i}x||^{p} \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1(c))}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle f(|T_{i}|) B_{i}x, f(|T_{i}|) B_{i}x \rangle^{\frac{p}{2}} \langle g(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i}x, g(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i}x \rangle^{\frac{p}{2}}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle B_{i}^{*}f^{2}(|T_{i}|) B_{i}x, x \rangle^{\frac{p}{2}} \langle A_{i}^{*}g^{2}(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i}x, x \rangle^{\frac{p}{2}}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle (B_{i}^{*}f^{2}(|T_{i}|) B_{i})^{p} x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle (A_{i}^{*}g^{2}(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i})^{p} x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\text{(by Lemma 2.2(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{1}{2} \langle ((B_{i}^{*}f^{2}(|T_{i}|) B_{i})^{p} x, x \rangle^{r} + \langle (A_{i}^{*}g^{2}(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i})^{p} x, x \rangle^{r}) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\text{(by Lemma 2.1(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{1}{2} \langle ((B_{i}^{*}f^{2}(|T_{i}|) B_{i})^{rp} + (A_{i}^{*}g^{2}(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i})^{rp}) x, x \rangle \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\text{(by Lemma 2.2(a))}$$

$$\leq \left( \frac{1}{2} \langle \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( ((B_{i}^{*}f^{2}(|T_{i}|) B_{i})^{rp} + (A_{i}^{*}g^{2}(|T_{i}^{*}|) A_{i})^{rp} \right) x, x \rangle \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

Thus

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \left\langle A_i^* T_i B_i x, x \right\rangle \right|^p \right)^r \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \left( B_i^* f^2 \left( |T_i| \right) B_i \right)^{rp} + \left( A_i^* g^2 \left( |T_i^*| \right) A_i \right)^{rp} \right) \right) x, x \right\rangle$$

Now the result follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Choosing A = B = I, we get.

Corollary 3.3. Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$  and let f and g be nonnegative continuous functions on  $[0, \infty)$  satisfying f(t) g(t) = t for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . Then

$$w_p^{rp}(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( f^{2rp}(|T_i|) + g^{2rp}(|T_i^*|) \right) \right\|$$

for  $p \ge 1$  and  $r \ge 1$ .

Letting  $f(t) = g(t) = t^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , we get.

Corollary 3.4. Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n)$ ,  $(A_1, \ldots, A_n)$ ,  $(B_1, \ldots, B_n)$  are in  $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ . Then

$$w_p^{rp}\left(A_1^*T_1B_1,\ldots,A_n^*T_nB_n\right) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \left( B_i^* \left| T_i \right| B_i \right)^{rp} + \left( A_i^* \left| T_i^* \right| A_i \right)^{rp} \right) \right\|$$

for  $p \ge 1$  and  $r \ge 1$ .

Corollary 3.5. Let  $(A_1, \ldots, A_n), (B_1, \ldots, B_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ . Then

$$w_p^{rp}(A_1^*B_1,\ldots,A_n^*B_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( |B_i|^{2rp} + |A_i|^{2rp} \right) \right\|$$

for  $p \ge 1$  and  $r \ge 1$ .

Corollary 3.6. Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ . Then

$$w_p^p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( |T_i|^{2\alpha p} + |T_i^*|^{2(1-\alpha)p} \right) \right\|$$

for  $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ , and  $p \ge 1$ . In particular.

$$w_p^p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (|T_i|^p + |T_i^*|^p) \right\|.$$

Corollary 3.7. Let  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then

$$w_p^p(B,C) \le \frac{1}{2} \| |B|^{2\alpha p} + |B^*|^{2(1-\alpha)p} + |C|^{2\alpha p} + |C^*|^{2(1-\alpha)p} \|$$

for  $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ , and  $p \ge 1$ . In particular.

$$w_p^p(B,C) \le \frac{1}{2} |||B|^p + |B^*|^p + |C|^p + |C^*|^p||.$$

The next results are related to some different upper bounds for  $w_p$  for n-tuples of operators, which have several inequalities as special cases.

**Proposition 3.8.** Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ . Then

$$w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \left( |T_i|^{2\alpha} + |T_i^*|^{2(1-\alpha)} \right)^p \right\|^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for  $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ , and  $p \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* By using the arithmetic-geometric mean, for any unit vector  $x \in \mathscr{H}$  we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle T_{i}x, x \rangle|^{p} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \langle |T_{i}|^{2\alpha} x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2(1-\alpha)} x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{p}$$
(by Lemma 2.1(b))
$$\leq \frac{1}{2^{p}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \langle |T_{i}|^{2\alpha} x, x \rangle + \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2(1-\alpha)} x, x \rangle \right)^{p}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{p}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\langle \left( |T_{i}|^{2\alpha} + |T_{i}^{*}|^{2(1-\alpha)} \right) x, x \rangle^{p}.$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^{p}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\langle \left( |T_{i}|^{2\alpha} + |T_{i}^{*}|^{2(1-\alpha)} \right)^{p} x, x \rangle$$
(by Lemma 2.2(a))

Now the result follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

**Proposition 3.9.** Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}$ . Then

$$w_p(T_1,...,T_n) \le \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha |T_i|^p + (1-\alpha) |T_i^*|^p) \right\|^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for  $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ , and  $p \ge 2$ .

*Proof.* For every unit vector  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \left\langle T_{i}x, x \right\rangle \right|^{p}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \left| \left\langle T_{i}x, x \right\rangle \right|^{2} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \left\langle \left| T_{i} \right|^{2\alpha} x, x \right\rangle \left\langle \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{2(1-\alpha)} x, x \right\rangle \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1(b))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\langle \left| T_{i} \right|^{\alpha p} x, x \right\rangle \left\langle \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{(1-\alpha)p} x, x \right\rangle \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.2(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\langle \left| T_{i} \right|^{p} x, x \right\rangle^{\alpha} \left\langle \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{p} x, x \right\rangle^{(1-\alpha)} \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.2(b))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \alpha \left\langle \left| T_{i} \right|^{p} x, x \right\rangle + (1-\alpha) \left\langle \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{p} x, x \right\rangle \right) \text{(by Lemma 2.1(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\langle \left( \alpha \left| T_{i} \right|^{p} + (1-\alpha) \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{p} \right) x, x \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \alpha \left| T_{i} \right|^{p} + (1-\alpha) \left| T_{i}^{*} \right|^{p} \right) \right) x, x \right\rangle.$$

Now the result follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

#### Remark 3.10. As special cases,

(1) For  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ , we have

$$w_p^p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (|T_i|^p + |T_i^*|^p) \right\|.$$

(2) For  $B, C \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H}), 0 \le \alpha \le 1$ , and  $p \ge 1$ , we have

$$w_p^p(B,C) \le \|\alpha |B|^p + (1-\alpha) |B^*|^p + \alpha |C|^p + (1-\alpha) |C^*|^p\|.$$

In particular,

$$w_p^p(B,C) \le \frac{1}{2} \||B|^p + |B^*|^p + |C|^p + |C^*|^p\|.$$

The next result reads as follows.

**Proposition 3.11.** Let  $(T_1, \ldots, T_n) \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})^{(n)}, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1, r \geq 1$  and  $p \geq 1$ . Then

$$w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|\alpha |T_i|^{2r} + (1-\alpha) |T_i^*|^{2r}\|^{\frac{p}{2r}}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  be a unit vector.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle T_{i}x, x \rangle|^{p}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (|\langle T_{i}x, x \rangle|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\langle |T_{i}|^{2\alpha} x, x \rangle \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2(1-\alpha)} x, x \rangle)^{\frac{p}{2}} \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1(b))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\langle |T_{i}|^{2} x, x \rangle^{\alpha} \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2} x, x \rangle^{(1-\alpha)})^{\frac{p}{2}} \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.2(b))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\alpha \langle |T_{i}|^{2} x, x \rangle^{r} + (1-\alpha) \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2} x, x \rangle^{r})^{\frac{p}{2r}} \text{(by Lemma 2.1(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\alpha \langle |T_{i}|^{2r} x, x \rangle + (1-\alpha) \langle |T_{i}^{*}|^{2r} x, x \rangle)^{\frac{p}{2r}} \text{(by Lemma 2.2(a))}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle (\alpha |T_{i}|^{2r} + (1-\alpha) |T_{i}^{*}|^{2r}) x, x \rangle^{\frac{p}{2r}}.$$

Now the result follows by taking the supremum over all unit vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Remark 3.12. Some special cases can be stated as follows:

(1) For  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ , we have

$$w_p(T_1, \dots, T_n) \le \left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{p}{2r}}} \sum_{i=1}^n |||T_i|^{2r} + |T_i^*|^{2r}||^{\frac{p}{2r}}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

(2) For  $B,C\in\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H}), 0\leq\alpha\leq1,$  and  $p\geq1,$  we have

$$w_{p}(B,C) \le \left( \left\| \alpha \left| B \right|^{2r} + (1-\alpha) \left| B^{*} \right|^{2r} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2r}} + \left\| \alpha \left| C \right|^{2r} + (1-\alpha) \left| C^{*} \right|^{\frac{p}{2r}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

In particular,

$$w_p(B,C) \le \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{2r}}} \left( \left\| |B|^{2r} + |B^*|^{2r} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2r}} + \left\| |C|^{2r} + |C^*|^{2r} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2r}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

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